GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5067
ANSWERED ON:27.08.2001
DEATH OF TIGERS IN NATIONAL TIGER PROJECTS
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of deaths of tigers and cubs in the National Tiger Projects during the last three years as well as current year, till date along with the reasons therefor, project-wise;

(b) whether the Government have received any complaints regarding smuggling of skins and bones of tigers from Nagpur during the said period;

(c) if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon;

(d) whether any officials of his Ministry/department are involved in the smuggling of tigers; and

(e) if so, the action taken against the persons found guilty?

Answer

MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI T.R.BAALU)

(a) The details of death of Tigers in the Tiger Project during the last three years as well as current year, till date along with the reasons for death are in Annexure I.

(b) & (c) : Yes, Sir. The Central Bureau of Investigationunearthed cases regarding smuggling of hides and bones of tiger in the month of March, 2000 and seized 1 tiger and 4 leopard skins along with 6 kgs. of tiger bones. CBI has filed a case to this effect.

(d) No such report has been received by Government of India.

(e) Question does not arise.

ANNEXURE I

ANNEXURE IN RESPECT OF PART (a) OF THEOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.5067 TO BE ANSWERED ON 27-2001 REGARDING "DEATH OF TIGERS IN NATIONAL TIGER PROJECTS".

TIGER DEATH 1998

Sl No.		Date	No.	Remark
1	Tirunalveli (Tamil Nadu)	22-1-98	1	Poaching
2	Dudhwa	1-1-98	3 cub	Poisoning
3	Treai West Forest Dev.	31-1-98	1	Natural death
4	Sariska	10-3-98	1	Natural death
5	Kanha Tiger Reserve	3-4-98	1	Natural death
6	Pench Tiger Reserve	6-4-98	1	death due to electrocution
7	Seoni	11-5-98	1	death due to electrocution
8	Kanha Tiger Reserve	14-6-98	1	Natural death
9	Shivpuri	17-7-98	1	Natural death
10	Pench Tiger Reserve	5-11-98	1	death due to electrocution
11	U.P. Dudwa Tiger Reserve	14-4-98	1	Natural death
12	Maharashtra Chancrapur Div.	18-5-98	1	Natural death
13	Melghat Tiger Reserve	3-6-98	1	Natural death
14	Melghat Tiger Reserve	19-6-98	1	Natural death
15	Melghat Tiger Reserve	26-6-98	1	Natural death
16	West Bengal Sunderban TR	29-8-98	1	Poaching
17	Rajasthan Ranthambore	3-8-98	1	Natural death
18	Sariska TR	10-3-98	1	Natural death
19	Nagarjun sagar TR	31-7-98	1	Natural death

20 Karnataka Gundelpet 26-4-98 1 Natural death

Total 22

Tiger Death 1999

Sl No. Date No. Remark

1 Melghat TR 9-1-99 1 Natural death
2 Corbett TR 15-2-99 1 Natural death
3 Kanha TR 11-2-99 2 Natural death
4 Pench TR (M.P) 13-2-99 1 Accidental death
5 Pench (M.P) 16-3-99 1 Accidental death
6 Madhya Pradesh (Kanha TR) 15-4-99 1 Natural death
7 Madhya Pradesh (Kanha TR) 18-4-99 1 Natural death
8 Uttar Pradesh (Corbett TR) 29-5-99 1 Natural death
9 Rajasthan (RanthamboreTR) 20-6-99 1 Natural death
10 Shivpuri 25-6-99 1 Seizure
11 Uttar Pradesh (Corbett TR) 1-7-99 1 Natural death
12 Madhya Pradesh (Kanha) 18-7-99 2 Natural death
13 Madhya Pradesh (Kanha) 18-8-99 1 Natural death
14 Maharashtra (Tadoba Andheri) 9-9-99 1 Poaching
15 UttarPradesh (Corbett) 23-10-99 1 Natural death
16 UttarPradesh (Corbett) 24-10-99 1 Natural death
17 UttarPradesh (Corbett) 2-12-99 1 Natural death
18 Madhya Pradesh (Pench) 22-12-99 1 Natural death

Total 19

Tiger Death 2000

Sl No. Date No. Remark

1 Gosaba (W.B.) 24, Paragana 22.2.2000 1 Seizure
2 Periyar (Kerala) February,2000 1 Natural death
3 Rajasthan (Sariska) 14-3-2000 1 Natural death
4 Madhya Pradesh (Bhandhavgarh) 4-3-2000 1 Natural death
5 Sunderban (WB) 1.6.2000 1 Seizure
6 Bandhavagrh (M.P.) 5.5.2000 1 Natural death
7 Sariska (Rajasthan) 26.6.2000 1 Natural death
8 Kanha (M.P.) 12.5.2000 1 Natural death
9 Dudhwa (U.P) 29.6.2000 1 Natural death
10 Tadoba Andheri (Maharashtra) 21.5.2000 1 Natural death
11 Kanathalaberia S.Basanti (W.B.) 1.4.2000 1 Seizure
12 Mayadwip (W.B.) Block 8.5.2000 1 Seizure
under NP (W) Range.
13 Gosaba (W.B.) 9.5.2000 1 Seizure
14 Choragazikhali (W.B.) 16.6.2000 1 Seizure
15 Indravati (M.P.) 12-7-2000 1 skin Seizure
16 Bandhavgarh (Madhya Pradesh) 25.7.2000 1 Natural death
17 Sariska (Rajasthan) 25.6.2000 1 Natural death
18 Bandhavagrh (M.P) 29.9.2000 1 Natural death
19 Kanha (M.P) 7.10.2000 1 Natural death
20 Dudhwa (Kixtipur) 30.12.2000 1 Natural death
21 Namdapha -12-2000 1 Natural death

Total 21

Tiger Death 2001

Dudhwa 4-2-2001 1 Poaching
Nallamala (Andhra Pradesh) 6-2-2001 1 Seizure
Katni village (M.P) 8-2-2001 1 Poaching
Dudhwa 23-2-2001 1 Natural death

Kheri (STF,U.P.) 25-2-2001 1 skin Seizure
7 skulls

Kanha 25/2/2001 1 Natural death
Corbett 5-3-2001 1 Death due to infighting
Corbett 6-3-2001 1 Death due to infighting
Amaravati (Maharashtra) 19-3-2001 1 Infighting
Corbett 11-4-2001 1 Infighting
Mundumalai WLS range 7-5-2001 1 Others
Ranthambore 10-5-2001 1 Poaching
Bnadhavgarh 21-5-2001 1 Poaching
Sunderban (W. Bengal) 30-7-2001 1 Poaching

Total 21